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Board for Geologists and Geophysicists Public Meeting

Date: February 13, 2009

Time: 10:00 am

Place: First Floor Hearing Room
Department of Consumer Affairs Headquarters
1625 North Market Boulevard,
Sacramento, CA 95834

Board Members: Richard G. Blake, President; James R. Ashby, Vice-president; William Black; Shirley Husar; William Paul Sweeney; Cecilia Yu.

Declaration of a Quorum and Introductory Remarks (President Blake)

Public Forum: This time is scheduled to provide the public with an opportunity to address the Board on items that are not on the agenda; however, the Board may not take action on such items at this time.

Minutes: The Board will consider adopting minutes of the November 20, 2008 meeting.

1. Board Member Reports

- **Board Action:** The Board will vote on a resolution supporting continuation of an independent Board for Geologists and Geophysicists within the Department of Consumer Affairs.
- **Board Action:** The Board will vote on a resolution commending Mary Scruggs (PG No. 4707, CEG No. 2148) for her outstanding contributions to public protection.

2. Committee Reports

- A. Examination Committee (Sterbentz, Chair)
- B. Enforcement Oversight Committee (Magorien, Chair)
- C. Professional Affairs Advisory Committee (Crosby, Chair)
- D. Policy Committee (Taylor, Chair)

3. Executive Officer Report (Rempel)

- A. Budget status (Rust)
- B. Administrative and logistical support update
- C. Update on planning for "Professionals Achieving Consumer Trust" (PACT) Summit 2009-2010
- D. Closed Session [Pursuant to Government Code §11126(a), (b), (c)(3) and (e)(1), the Board will evaluate Executive Officer performance; and consider a settlement re: OAH No. L-2007110612 and pending litigation matters.]
- E. Return to Open Session to announce results of Closed Session (President Blake)
- F. Professional Standards update
 - i. Application and examination statistics for Spring 2009 (Brooks)
 - ii. Enforcement activity status report (Dunfield)
- G. Ethical Decision-Making (DCA Legal Affairs Office)

Adjourn

Note: Starting time is approximate. Agenda items may be taken out of sequence at the discretion of the President for convenience of the Board and members of the public. The Board will break for lunch at approximately 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m. as determined by the Board President.

Protection of the public shall be the highest priority of the Board for Geologists and Geophysicists in exercising its licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions. Whenever the protection of the public is inconsistent with other interests sought to be promoted, the protection of the public shall be paramount. (Business and Professions Code §7810.1)

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It is the public policy of this state that public agencies exist to aid in the conduct of the people's business and the proceedings of public agencies be conducted openly so that the public may remain informed.

In enacting this article the Legislature finds and declares that it is the intent of the law that actions of state agencies be taken openly and that their deliberation be conducted openly.

The people of this state do not yield their sovereignty to the agencies which serve them. The people, in delegating authority, do not give their public servants the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to know. The people insist on remaining informed so that they may retain control over the instruments they have created.

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